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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Brigadier General John E. Dougherty  
Deputy Director  
Directorate of Operations, DCS/O  
Headquarters, USAF

**SUBJECT :** Joint Agreement

1. Reference your memorandum, same subject as above, dated 16 May 1958 and attachments. The attached revisions of your proposals are forwarded for your consideration.

2. Formalization of the Joint Agreement, Plan I and Plan II will be based on your comments and/or concurrence.

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**Attachments:**

Joint Agreement w/2  
attachments, Plan I and  
Plan II (Revised)

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**CONCURRENCE:**

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### JOINT AGREEMENT

**PURPOSE:** To establish an agreement between the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and the Department of Defense (DOD) whereby CHALICE aerial reconnaissance resources may be placed under the operational control of the Strategic Air Command (SAC) upon execution of the SAC Emergency War Plan (EWP).

**SCOPE:** This Plan is binding on the CIA and all DOD forces which have a vested interest in this project.

**BACKGROUND:** The Strategic Air Command has prepared an EWP for its reconnaissance force to accomplish certain reconnaissance objectives in support of the over-all War Plan. One premise of the SAC Plan is that the SAC reconnaissance force may be deployed during a declared period of tension. Another premise is that, in the event of hostilities without a declared period of tension, the SAC reconnaissance force would be deployed as soon as practical after the launching of the strike force. During the intervening periods and until such a time as the SAC reconnaissance force is in place, the only deployed reconnaissance force capable of satisfying certain of the reconnaissance requirements would be that of the CIA CHALICE Project.

**IMPLEMENTATION:** The CIA will retain operational control of its CHALICE reconnaissance force during a declared period of tension or periods of increased readiness and accomplish reconnaissance of SAC objectives to the limit of their capabilities and resources. Upon implementation of the Emergency War Plan, the CIA CHALICE reconnaissance force will be placed under operational control of the Strategic Air Command. The attached Plans I and II apply to the utilization of the CIA CHALICE reconnaissance resources. Plan I outlines the procedures to be used during a period of tension or increased readiness and Plan II the procedures to be used upon execution of the EWP. In addition, two separate plans for implementation of the SAC Reconnaissance EWP will be maintained. One plan will be based solely on SAC reconnaissance resources; the other will be based on a combination of CIA and SAC reconnaissance resources. The SAC forward area commanders will be aware of both plans. The 4080th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing will not be made cognizant of the CIA Detachments.

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**PLAN I**

**TIME OF TENSION**

**OBJECTIVES:** The target list will primarily contain objectives in the category of Soviet long range air Army forward staging bases, the reconnaissance of which will furnish intelligence serving to indicate the imminence of hostilities or the capability to launch an attack against the United States.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. Since a declared or recognized state of tension as pertains to SAC or Project CHALICE may occur at different times, this plan will be placed into effect upon determination by the Director of Central Intelligence and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force that a period of tension exists.
2. CIA CHALICE Reconnaissance Detachments will remain under the operational control of CIA.
3. CIA CHALICE Reconnaissance Detachments will accomplish, as first priority, reconnaissance of targets as determined by SAC.
4. CIA will not deplete its forces in the field during a declared period of tension.

**OPERATION:**

1. SAC will allocate targets to Project CHALICE, provide Project Headquarters with Allotted Reconnaissance Target List (ARTL) and be responsible for keeping the ARTL current. The ARTL will be provided to CHALICE Headquarters through Headquarters, USAF.
2. CIA will accomplish reconnaissance of the SAC special objectives to the extent of the capability and resources of the Reconnaissance Detachments. Operational control will be maintained as currently exercised by CHALICE Headquarters.
3. The Reconnaissance Detachments will return all raw reconnaissance material, so generated, to a processing center for immediate processing and evaluation of intelligence information. The processing center or centers to be used will be

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mutually determined by the Director of Central Intelligence and the Commander of the Strategic Air Command at the time this agreement is placed into effect. This decision will be influenced by the urgency for the information and the capability of the processing center involved.

4. SAC will furnish duplicate materials and/or evaluated data to the CIA, if required.

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**PLAN II**

**HOSTILITIES COMMENCE**

**OBJECTIVES:** These objectives listed in the Strategic Air Command Basic Intelligence Planning Guide which will be furnished to the CIA Detachment Commander by the SAC Task Force Commander or his designated representative.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. This Plan will be placed into effect upon implementation of the SAC Emergency War Plan.
2. All physical assets and personnel resources of the CIA CHALICE Reconnaissance Detachment will revert to the USAF under operational control of SAC.
3. All military personnel on duty with the CHALICE Reconnaissance Detachments will remain on duty with the Reconnaissance Detachment under command of the Detachment Commander and operational control of SAC for the duration of the emergency unless otherwise directed by SAC.
4. All reconnaissance aircrews will revert to military status, remaining on duty with the detachment under the operational control of SAC.
5. CIA and the Reconnaissance Detachment Commanders will take all feasible measures to induce civilian contractor representatives, maintenance personnel and Civil Service employees to remain with their detachment for the duration of the emergency; however, all parties to this agreement hereby recognize that CIA lacks legal power to compel their continued services.

**OPERATION:**

1. CIA CHALICE Reconnaissance Detachments will revert to military control under the command of the CIA Detachment Commander who will, in turn, be directly responsible to, and under the operational control of, the SAC Task Force Commander or his designated representative.

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2. EWP reconnaissance requirements will be furnished by the SAC Task Force Commander to the Detachment Commander for accomplishment.

3. The reconnaissance material so generated will be delivered to a SAC Reconnaissance Technical Squadron for exploitation or as may be directed by the SAC Task Force Commander.

4. The Reconnaissance Detachment personnel and resources will remain under the operational control of SAC for the duration of the emergency or until otherwise directed by competent authority.

5. Lines of communication will be established between the SAC Task Force Commander and the CIA Detachment Commander.

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